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**Southern Railway Historical Association Collection of Southern Railway  
President's Files: Earnest E. Norris, 1937 - 1951  
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**Description:** This series consists of correspondence and business files of Earnest E. Norris, President of Southern Railways 1937 – 1951 with some overflow into Harry A. DeButts era of leadership. Descriptions are representative samples in the collection and not detailed entirely as to their contents.

<b>Box</b>	<b>File</b>	<b>Contents – Ernest E. Norris President's Files, 1937 - 1951</b>
534	10,678	No file number, dated 1949 Correspondence: Central of Georgia Reading File 2 May – 10 May, 1949
534	10,679	No file number, dated 1949 Correspondence: Central of Georgia Reading File 11 May – 20 May, 1949
534	10,680	No file number, dated 1949 Correspondence: Central of Georgia Reading File 21 May – 31 May, 1949
534	10,681	No file number, dated 1949 Correspondence: Central of Georgia Reading File 1 June – 10 June, 1949
534	10,682	No file number, dated 1949 11 June – 20 June, 1949
534	10,683	No file number, dated 1949 Correspondence: Central of Georgia Reading File 21 June – 30 June, 1949
535	10,684	No file number, dated 1949 Correspondence: Central of Georgia Reading File 1 July – 2 July, 1949
535	10,685	No file number, dated 1949

		Correspondence: Central of Georgia Reading File 1 August – 10 August, 1949
535	10,686 10,686 10,686A	File No. 1-35, Old File No. 5969, dated 1949 – 1969 (2 Files) Correspondence: Atlanta Terminal Company, Atlanta, Georgia
535	10,687, 10,688, 10,689, 10,690	File No. 828-3, dated 1949 – 1955 (4 Files) Correspondence: New Orleans Terminal Company, New Orleans, Louisiana Improvements to Outer Belt of New Orleans Transit Company
535	10,691	File No. 1-8, dated 1949 – 1957 Correspondence: Railway Express Agency (REA) May 2, 1953 – December 4, 1957
535	10,692	File No. 1-8, dated 1949 – 1957 Correspondence: Railway Express Agency July 13, 1950 – May 1, 1953
536	10,693	File No. 1-8, dated 1949 – 1957 Correspondence: Railway Express Agency June 30, 1950 – February 19, 1954
536	10,694	File No. 1-8, dated 1949 – 1957 Correspondence: Railway Express Agency December 5, 1949 – April 17, 1950
536	10,695, 10,696, 10,697, 10,698	File No. 1-8, dated 1949 (4 Files) Correspondence: Railway Express Agency March 31, 1949 – November 30, 1949
537	10,699, 10,700	File No. 1-8, dated 1949 – 1950 (2 Files) Correspondence: Railway Express Agency December 5, 1949 – April 17, 1950
537 538	10,701, 10,702, 10,703, 10,704	File No. 1-134, dated 1949 – 1952 (4 Files) Correspondence: General File Uniform Freight Rates East of the Rocky Mountains
538	10,705, 10,706, 10,707	File No. S-134, dated 1949 – 1953 (3 Files) Correspondence: Southeastern Presidents' Conference Minutes of Meetings Member Roads Letters
538	10,708	File No. 1-254, dated 1949 – 1958 Correspondence: Interchange of traffic with Mississippi Central Railroad at Meridian and Hattiesburg, Mississippi
538	10,709	File No. 1-833, dated 1949 – 1964 Correspondence: Carolina Power & Light Company Asheville Steam Electric Generating Plant Steam Electric Turbine-Generator at Goldsboro
538 539	10,710, 10,711,	File No. 1-922, dated 1949 – 1966 (3 Files) Correspondence: General File

539	10,712	Proposals, Estimates, Drawings, Newspaper Articles, Letters re: shop buses, proposal, estimates at John Sevier Yard, Knoxville, Tennessee Drawings include: #1349 & 1342 (4 drawings) Proposed Additional Class Tracks for Sevier Yard, Knoxville, Tennessee Camp Car Track One Spot Car Repair Container Freight Facilities
539	10,713	File No. 1-930, dated 1949 – 1966 Correspondence: Museum of Transport, St. Louis, Missouri Engine No. 1509 “Maud” Pegram Shops, Atlanta, Georgia proposed preservation for historical reasons, etc.
539	10,714, 10,715- Legal Size Folder	File No. 1-1032, dated 1949 (2 Files) Correspondence: General File Photographs, Booklets, Newspapers, Papers re: Illinois National Guard and Julius Klein Photographs: USS Franklin D. Roosevelt, 1946 Booklets: “The Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia”, 1949 “The National Military Establishment Joint Orientation Conference Program”, 1949 Booklet and Diagram: USS Franklin D. Roosevelt CVB-42 Newsletter: Julius Klein, 1949 2 I.D. Cards – Harry DeButts
539	10,716	File No. S-109, dated 1949 – 1952 Correspondence: Association of American Railroads Rough handling, damage, and claim prevention
539	10,717	File No. S-143, dated 1949 Correspondence: Southeastern Presidents’ Conference Digest of State Motor Vehicle Laws
539	10,718	File Numbers S-145, S-146, and S-147, dated 1949 (3 Files) Correspondence: Southeastern Presidents’ Conference File No. S-145: I.C.C. Hearing/Rail Ticket Action File No. S-146: Section 5A Application #6 File No. S-147: Check of Station Labor Expense
539	10,719	File No. S-148, dated 1948 – 1953 Correspondence: Southeastern Presidents’ Conference Transportation Association of America
539	10,720	File Numbers S-149 and S-150, dated 1949 Correspondence: Southeastern Presidents’ Conference File No. S-149: “Reduced Fare Plan Inspection Tours of America” File No. S-150: Establishment of joint committee of eastern, western and southern lines to confer with committee representing the Local Cartage National Conference

539	10,721	File No. S-151, dated 1949 Correspondence: Southeastern Presidents' Conference Notices served by the Conductors and Trainmen to effect changes in certain rules, including the establishment of a 40-hour week in yard service
539	10,722	File No. S-152, dated 1949 Correspondence: Southeastern Presidents' Conference Special Traveling Concessions for the Blind
539	10,723	File Numbers S-153, S-154, and S-155, dated 1949 Correspondence File No. S-153: Whiting Oil Company, Clifton Forge, Virginia, criticizes industry's handling of wage increase cases File No. S-154: Letters and booklet re: "Who Gets the Railroad Dollar" written by Dr. Jules Backman, Associate Professor of Economics, New York University File No. S-155: Wages for Trainmen
539	10,724	File No. S-156, dated 1949 – 1950 Correspondence: Railroad Presidents to meet with a similar committee of Railway Labor Executives to consider what may be done to improve the service of the railroad industry to the public.